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The following is a summary of Soviet military activity and the movement of Soviet troops and military equipment along the Iranian border for the period 11 - 17 June 1951.

1. Pol Dasht

15 June

Eastbound rail traffic from Yerevan to Nakhichevan included two guns and one car carrying ammunition.

Westbound rail traffic from Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan included one gun.

17 June

Westbound rail traffic from Nakhichevan to Yerevan included one car carrying ammunition.

Eastbound rail traffic from Yerevan to Nakhichevan included one car carrying ammunition.

Eastbound rail traffic from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa included two cars carrying troops.

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2. Dzhulfa

14 June

Eastbound rail traffic from Dzhulfa to Ordubad included one gondola carrying cartridge boxes.

Westbound road traffic from Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan included 31 trucks carrying 21 soldiers and one truck-drawn 105 mm gun.

Eastbound road traffic from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad included 32 vehicles.

Approximately 200 soldiers took part in combat exercises at Dzhulfa.

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15 June Eastbound road traffic from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad included 43 vehicles carrying 63 soldiers.

 Westbound road traffic from Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan included 32 vehicles carrying 51 soldiers.

16 June Eastbound road traffic from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad included 43 vehicles and 62 soldiers.

 Westbound road traffic from Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan included four vehicles and 61 soldiers.

 Approximately 200 soldiers took part in combat exercises at Dzhulfa.

17 June Westbound road traffic from Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan included 28 vehicles and 45 soldiers.

 Eastbound road traffic from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa included 39 vehicles and 103 soldiers.

3. Khuda Afarin

15 June Two medium size armored cars arrived at the Khumarlu border post.

4. Astara

14 June Southbound road traffic from Lenkoran to Astara included 14 vehicles.

 Northbound road traffic from Astara to Lenkoran included eight vehicles, several civilians, and two groups of armed troops on foot.

 Westbound road traffic from Astara to Masjed Mahalleh included four vehicles carrying five soldiers, and two soldiers on horseback.

 Eastbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to Astara included five vehicles carrying 21 soldiers, and two officers riding bicycles.

 Westbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to the last western post under observation included four vehicles carrying four unarmed soldiers and several civilians.

 Eastbound road traffic from the last western post under observation to Masjed Mahalleh included four vehicles carrying eight unarmed soldiers and two civilians, and two soldiers on foot.

15 June Southbound road traffic from Lenkoran to Astara included 17 vehicles carrying several soldiers and one group of armed soldiers on foot.

 Northbound road traffic from Astara to Lenkoran included two trucks carrying several civilians.

 Westbound road traffic from Astara to Masjed Mahalleh included one truck, and 21 soldiers and one sergeant riding bicycles.

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Eastbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to Astara included two officers on motorcycles and six soldiers on foot.

Westbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to the last western post under observation included four vehicles carrying four soldiers and several civilians, and five officers on horseback.

Eastbound road traffic from the last western post under observation to Masjed Mahalleh included six vehicles carrying nine soldiers and 15 civilians and one truck carrying armed soldiers.

16 June

Southbound road traffic from Lenkoran to Astara included 11 trucks, one truck carrying unarmed soldiers, and one group of soldiers on foot.

Northbound road traffic from Astara to Lenkoran included six trucks and one group of soldiers on foot.

Westbound road traffic from Astara to Masjed Mahalleh included four vehicles, two soldiers, and eight civilians.

Eastbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to Astara included two vehicles carrying 15 soldiers.

Westbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to the last western post under observation included five vehicles carrying six officers and nine armed soldiers and one cart carrying civilians.

Eastbound road traffic from the last western post under observation to Masjed Mahalleh included three trucks carrying 13 soldiers and seven civilians.

17 June

Southbound road traffic from Lenkoran road to Astara included 15 vehicles.

Southbound road traffic from Lenkoran to Astara included 13 vehicles.

Northbound road traffic from Astara to Lenkoran included seven vehicles carrying a few soldiers and civilians, and one group of armed soldiers on foot.

Westbound road traffic from Astara to Masjed Mahalleh included four vehicles carrying 42 soldiers.

Eastbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to Astara included two vehicles carrying civilians, two trucks carrying soldiers, and three trucks carrying 35 soldiers.

Westbound road traffic from Masjed Mahalleh to the last western post under observation included three carts carrying ten armed soldiers, and one truck carrying ten civilians.

Eastbound road traffic from the last western post under observation to Masjed Mahalleh included four vehicles with nine soldiers, and two sergeants on horseback.

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5. Lutfabad

11 June

Rail traffic from Ashkhabad (37-57N, 58-23E) to Kaakha(37-22N, 59-38E) included one car carrying six artillery pieces.

12 June

Rail traffic from Ashkhabad to Kaakha included one car carrying artillery pieces.

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